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-- AT THIS TIME HOWEVER WE WOULD NOTE THAT DESPITE THEIR INITIAL SHOCK AT MRS. GANDHI'S DEFEAT IN THE INDIAN ELECTIONS, THE SOVIETS HAVE LOST LITTLE TIME IN REPAIRING THEIR RELATIONS WITH HER SUCCESSORS. SOVIET POST-ELECTION COMMENTARIES CRITICIZED GANDHI FOR EXCESSES DURING THE EMERGENCY AND STRESSED THE PERMANENT NATURE OF SOVIET-INDIAN FRIENDSHIP. THE SOVIET UNION IMMEDIATELY ASKED

FOR AND RECEIVED DATES FOR A PREVIOUSLY AGREED BUT UNSCHEDULED VISIT BY FOREIGN MINISTER GROMYKO TO DELHI.

-- THE GROMYKO VISIT EMPHASIZED THE STRONG DESIRE OF THE SOVIETS TO MAINTAIN CORDIAL RELATIONS WITH INDIA AND THE 1971 FRIENDSHIP TREATY, EVEN AT THE PRICE OF PUBLICLY ACKNOWLEDGING INDIA'S RIGHT TO IMPROVED RELATIONS WITH OTHER COUNTRIES (SUCH AS THE US AND PRC). THIS SOVIET FLEXIBILITY, PLUS STRONG ECONOMIC TIES BENEFICIAL TO INDIA, WILL PROBABLY BE SUFFICIENT TO AVOID A SHARP DOWNTURN IN INDO-SOVIET RELATIONS, BUT THE SOVIETS WILL HAVE LESS INFLUENCE OVER INDIAN POLICIES THAN IN THE PAST FEW YEARS.

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